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1. A border guard training battalion is permanently located at Silistra with 35 Infantry Regiment. While quartered at the same barracks, the border guard battalion in question is completely independent of 35 Infantry Regiment and trains recruits for service with the border guard units. This battalion has seven companies of one hundred men each. There are three platoons to each company.

2. The following officers are stationed with the border guard battalion at Silistra:

- a. Battalion Commander - Major Gotsev.
- b. Deputy Commander - First Lieutenant Iliev.
- c. 1 Company Commander - First Lieutenant Nikola Marinov Nikolov.
- d. Platoon Commander - Second Lieutenant Iordanov.
- e. Platoon Commander - Second Lieutenant Dimov.
- f. Platoon Commander - Second Lieutenant Laskov.

3. The 4 Border Guard Sector is located in Momchilgrad. This Sector has five Ouchastuks, located as follows:

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- a. Ouchastuk Zlatograd
- b. Ouchastuk Chorbadjiisko
- c. Ouchastuk Avren
- d. Ouchastuk Pelivum
- e. Ouchastuk Krumovgrad

The Sector at Momchilgrad has two hundred men in reserve.

4. The Ouchastuk at Zlatograd covers an area of about fifty kilometers. It has a reserve of fifty men and had at its disposal three heavy mortars of unknown caliber and make, one anti-aircraft gun of unknown caliber and make, and four heavy machine guns of Soviet origin. It has five zastavas, located as follows:

- a. Zastava Erma Reka
- b. Zastava Kobilan Dol
- c. Zastava Kotleshkovo

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- d. Zastava (no name)  
e. Zastava Kushla

5. Each zastava has two officers, one non-commissioned officer and thirty men. They are armed with Soviet tommy guns, light machine guns (M.G. 34) and Soviet rifles.
6. Between 0300 and 2000 hours (summer schedule), each zastava post six observers along the border whose duty is to scan the area with field glasses. Between 2000 and 0600 hours fourteen men of the border guards patrol the area of the zastava, each group (two men) covering about one and one-half kilometers.
7. The following officers are in charge of Zastava Kotleshkovo (Zdravets): 50X1-HUM
- a. Commander - Second Lieutenant Iliya Nikolov Ivanov
  - b. Deputy Commander - Second Lieutenant Vasil Ivanov Vatsov,
  - c. Non-commissioned officer - Sergeant Narkochev
8. There has been no mine laying along the border in the area of Ouchastuk Zlatograd.
9. The term of duty for the border guards was recently extended from two to three years.

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